

Amendments to the Specification:

Page 3, please amend the paragraph at lines 13-14, as follows:

Fig. 1 is a general ~~plane~~ plan view of a hard disk drive to which the present invention is applied.

Page 6, please amend the paragraph bridging pages 5 and 6 as follows:

The present invention is also applied to a bonded body comprising a bonding member and a member to be bonded, which are used in a device for rotating the bonding member on which rotary disks are stacked and the member to be ~~bonding~~ bonded serving as a rotary shaft in integral bonding:

wherein a portion, in the vicinity of the fitting portion of the member to be bonded, of the bonding member is pressurized at a load for generating a stress enough to plastically deform the material of the bonding member, followed by preliminarily plastic bonding;

further the portion, in the vicinity of the fitting portion of the member to be bonded, of the bonding member is pressurized at a load in excess of an elastic limit of the material of the bonding member; and

a compression force in an axial direction of the to-be-bonded member is generated at the portion in the vicinity of the fitting portion of the bonding

member, and then, part of the material of the fitting portion in excess of the elastic limit is allowed to plastic-flow in such a manner as to fill a clearance defined between the member to be bonded and the bonding member;

whereby the bonding member and the member to be bonded are tightly integrated with each other.

Page 8, amend the second full paragraph as follows:

Fig. 1 is a general plane plan view of a hard disk drive, and Fig. 2 is a cross-sectional view of the hard disk drive shown in Fig. 1.

Page 17, amend the paragraph bridging pages 17 and 18 as follows:

In view of this, in the present preferred embodiment, as shown in Fig. 14, the outer circumferential portion of the shaft 1 having the annular groove 31 formed at the outer periphery of the shaft 1 is freely fitted into the bonding hole 21 of the hub 2; the large load is applied to the hub 2 by the punch ~~[[70;]]~~ 60; the vicinity of the hole formed at the end surface of the hub 2 is plastically deformed over the entire circumference; the shaft 1 and the bonding hole 21 of the hub 2 are subjected to the preliminarily plastic bonding in such a manner as to fill the gap; the material in the vicinity of the bonding hole 21 at the end surface is

plastically deformed over the entire circumference after the preliminarily plastic bonding of the hub 2 in the state in which a stress σ is exerted on the bonding hole 21 of the hub 2; a compression stress is exerted on the shaft 1 in such a manner as to fill the groove 31 of the shaft 1; and then, the material in the vicinity of the bonding hole 21 of the hub 2 is allowed to plastic-flow. The shearing force and strain P of the material in the vicinity of the bonding hole 21 of the hub 2 and the stress σ caused by the preliminarily plastic bonding are exerted on a portion remote from the pressing portion, on which the strain is hardly exerted, as shown in Fig. 15. Thus, the connection strength between the hub 2 and the shaft 1 is high.